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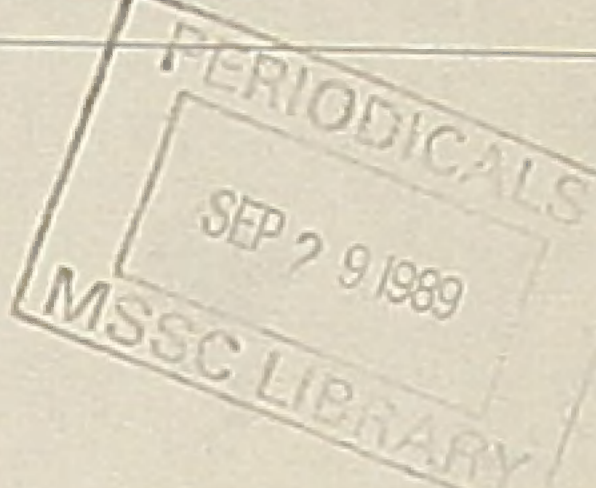
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**Taking aim** Mike McLeary, a freshman law enforcement major, pulls his bowstring Monday during practice for deer season at the archery range next to the biology pond. Deer season opens Oct. 1.

## Selling of complimentary textbooks could be ethical problem at College

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON  
MANAGING EDITOR

The sale of complimentary textbooks by instructors to wholesale book companies and college bookstores has been a problem for authors and publishers for a long time.

Retha Ketchum, president of Missouri Southern's Faculty Senate, received a letter in May from the Association of American Publishers asking the College to adopt a resolution banning the resale of complimentary textbooks. However, Ketchum and the Senate's executive committee deemed it was not a problem at Southern and decided not to bring it before the Faculty Senate for discussion.

"I'm not aware of anything like this happening on our campus," said Dr. Floyd Tiede, vice president for academic affairs. "I would think that very, very few faculty could find it profitable to sell a book." Charles Moss, manager of the campus bookstore, said the bookstore deals in complimentary books which it obtains through different wholesale book companies, including the Missouri Book Company and the Nebraska Book Company. "There are representatives from three book companies in the area that come through here periodically," said Moss,

"and they do buy books from our instructors, but I don't have proof of it."

When Southern's bookstore buys its texts from these companies, Moss said he does not know that some of them are complimentary books until they arrive. When the bookstore receives these books it stamps over the "complimentary textbook" label with one reading "another fine used book." Moss has asked used-book companies not to send complimentary texts.

According to Parker Ladd, director of the Higher Education Division of the Association of American Publishers, more than 50 percent of examination copies of texts not accepted by the instructors enter the book market. Through this practice, several things occur:

- More than \$10 million is lost in royalties annually to authors, and \$100 million annually to publishers;
- Complimentary textbook selling inflates the cost of all textbooks;
- Students do not benefit from complimentary book sales because these books are often resold at 75 percent of the new book price;
- Many instructors lose respect from their colleagues by depriving other professors/authors of their royalties; and
- Many students are upset at having to buy "free copies" of textbooks.

"A lot of students are resisting buying used books that were free somewhere else," said Ladd. "They're thinking that if it was free to someone else, it should be free to them. They are mad at the institution for taking advantage of getting something for free and then passing it on for a profit."

According to Ladd, the only institutions where it does not happen are those in which the administration has told the bookstore not to deal in complimentary copies. These colleges do not want their instructors selling books "because it is unethical."

When developing course materials, the AAP asks that instructors request only the titles and number of copies required for evaluation and not to request any books that the instructor is not in a position to adopt.

Twenty-two members of the AAP have started putting the "complimentary text" seal on the front, side, and back of the book. Ladd said many instructors ask for \$25,000 worth of books for courses they are not teaching.

"They (the publishers) don't like us because we're competing against them,"

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## MIAA to hear appeal concerning violations

College close to finding Tunnell's replacement

BY CHRISTOPHER A. CLARK  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Sanctions leveled against Missouri Southern's women's tennis program have the College looking for a new coach.

Hartford Tunnell, instructor of computer science, resigned Friday as head coach as a result of a harsh reprimand from the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association for "the providing of benefits in excess of room and board or tuition to student athletes in the program, as well as inaccurate reporting of scholarships to women's tennis players" by Tunnell.

The College's search for a new coach is apparently proving fruitful.

"It looks good," said Sallie Beard, director of women's athletics. "The position has been offered to someone, and we should know within a few days."

Beard would not identify the person who was offered the position. She said the person will be hired on a part-time basis, similar to the situation of Bill Cox, the College's golf coach.

"We need to find somebody who is committed to making women's tennis a successful program," said College President Julio Leon.

College officials are refusing to announce the specifics of the violations by Tunnell.

"By disclosing the violations, the athletes might think they were the guilty parties, and they were not," said Beard.

Early this summer, after committing the actions which now are deemed violations, Tunnell reported the acts to Beard, who later reported the violations to the MIAA. Beard estimated that she reported the violations in July or August.

In a statement, Tunnell said the only help he provided a player was "for a girl that I felt was in a hardship position, and the total assistance I provided was very

small."

"Although the mistakes I made were minor, the price I paid was great," he said. "I have given up a coaching position that I loved. I will no longer be working with some of the finest girls that Missouri Southern has ever attracted."

"As a coach it was my responsibility to protect the mental and physical well-being of the players, and I have endeavored to do that."

Beard met with members of the team last Thursday, when the College received the reprimand from the MIAA in the mail, to inform them of sanctions. She said the players were "understandably stunned."

Beard said she was "surprised" at the severity of the sanctions.

The MIAA handed down the sanctions Sept. 14, effective immediately.

The reprimand includes:

- Barring Southern from competition in the 1990 MIAA tennis championships;
- Limiting the school to the equivalent of one full women's scholarship for the 1990-1991 school year;
- Barring other MIAA schools from competing against Southern next year, had Tunnell remained as coach;
- A formal reprimand of Tunnell, as well as prohibiting him from off-campus recruiting;
- A fine of \$500.

The College filed an appeal which has been received by the MIAA office in Kansas City, according to commissioner Ken Jones. He said a decision will be made concerning the appeal via a telephone teleconference, involving a representative from each of the 12 MIAA institutions. The MIAA must decide on the appeal within 30 days.

Southern is especially interested in having the MIAA lift the sanction banning the team from the 1990 championships, according to Leon.

## Poll shows students favor campus condom machines

Condom machines on campus may become a reality as a recent student poll showed 78 percent in favor of such a move.

Students voted 317-90 in favor of condom machines on campus in a poll which was taken simultaneously with Student Senate elections Sept. 20.

According to Sara Woods, Student Senate president, L.J.P. Enterprises Inc., a prophylactics vender, approached the Senate with an offer to install the machines.

Woods said the AIDS issue was a factor that prompted the Senate to pose the

question to students.

"[College] orientation has been trying to educate the campus on the AIDS epidemic," said Woods. "With the recent interest in AIDS, we thought it would be a good step for the campus to think about."

With the vote now recorded in favor of condom vending machines, the Senate is planning a meeting tomorrow with Doug Carnahan, director of student life, to discuss the issue further.

"If nothing else," said Woods, "the possibility of putting condom machines on campus will make people think more about the problem."

## Insurance decision nears as consortium studies bids

BY JIMMY L. SEXTON  
MANAGING EDITOR

Missouri Southern's faculty and staff will still see a 31 percent increase in health insurance costs when paychecks come out tomorrow.

"The checks this month will have the same amount deducted from them as the last ones—31 percent," said Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs. "We (Southern) have a 30-day provision, and the earliest change we could see could be Nov. 1."

After renegotiating its contract with Blue Cross/Blue Shield, the College decided it could do better than the 31 percent increase and began accepting bids from Hartford, Travelers, and Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Travelers was subsequently dropped from the bidding process because it failed to meet the insurance consortium's deadline regarding "specific information."

After accepting the bids, ballots were sent to the college presidents within the consortium. Ballots are expected to be turned in and tallied today or tomorrow. Today, Tiede and other business officers

within the consortium will travel to the Hartford district office in Kansas City.

"We're just going up to take a look around and tour the place," he said. "It was generally felt throughout the consortium that we wanted to go and see what was going on."

Southern employees were taken aback Thursday, Aug. 31 when they opened their paychecks to find an additional \$47.15 deducted for health insurance purposes. Tiede cited an inflation in the insurance market and the number of claims made by Southern as reasons for the increase.

The College first learned of the proposed increase in February when Blue Cross/Blue Shield announced that it was planning a 43.9 percent increase. However, Tiede nevertheless whittled down the increase to 31 percent.

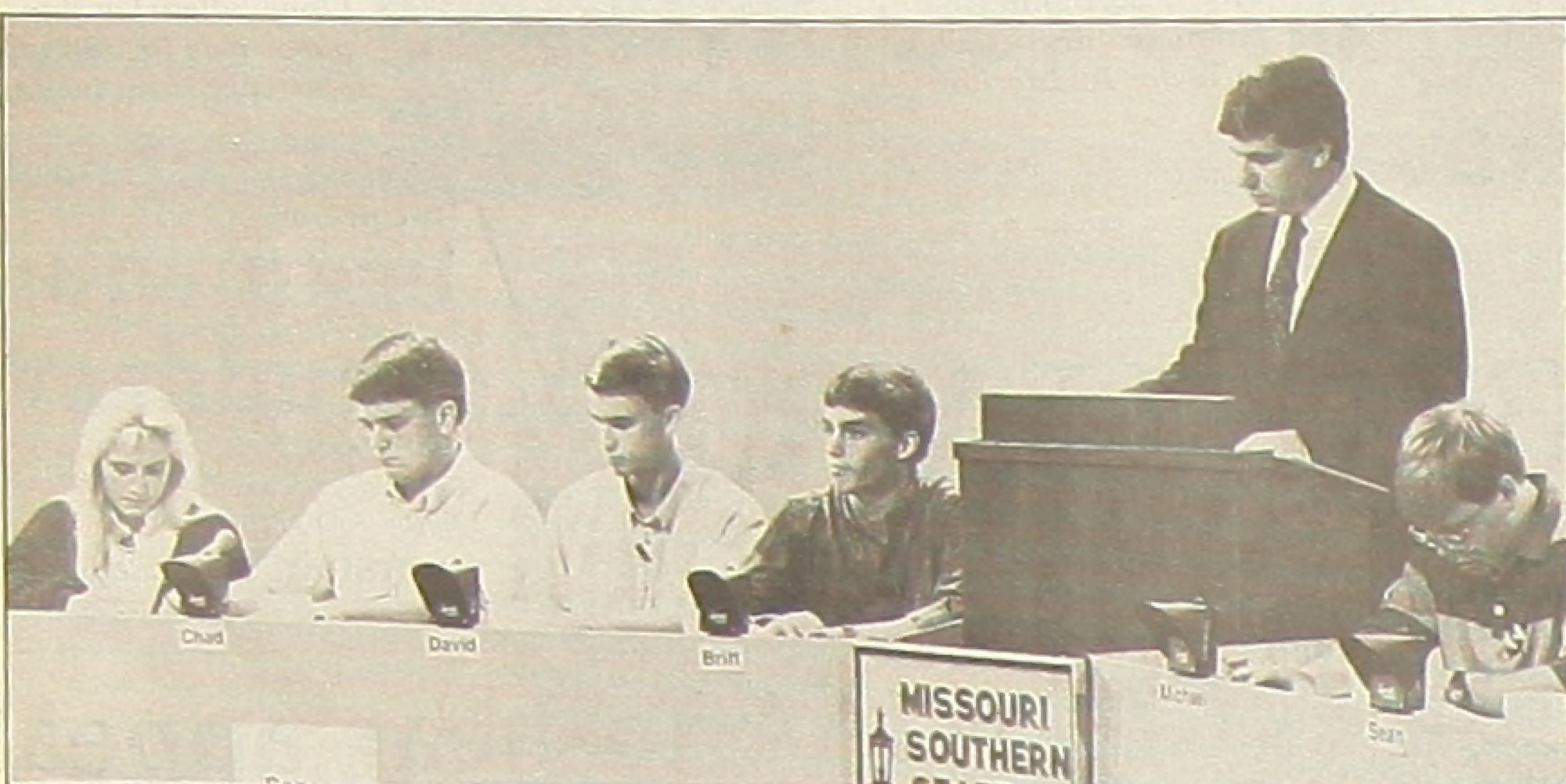
Southern's faculty and staff are automatically covered under the health insurance plan, but any employee wanting to include his or her family must pay a monthly premium which is automatically deducted from each paycheck. Under the new contract, the family fee was boosted from \$152.11 to \$199.26.



**Not good**

A south-bound pickup driven by Kevin Parker tried to make a left turn into the stadium parking lot yesterday around noon when it was struck by this Fiero driven by James Edward.





**First 'Challenge'** Dr. Art Saltzman, associate professor of English, moderates an "Empire Academic Challenge" between Seneca High School (left) and Carthage High School. Seneca won the competition.

## MSTV unites 'sharpest' area high school students

BY BOBBIE SEVERS  
STAFF WRITER

In an effort to unite the brightest students of area high schools, Missouri Southern Television is producing the "Empire Academic Challenge" as a weekly program.

The first of 31 shows aired Sept. 17 on MSTV and Ozarks Public Television.

The program is a tournament involving teams from 31 area high schools in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Missouri.

"This will be the sharpest minds of our area high schools in head-to-head academic competition," said Dom Caristi, general manager of MSTV and K5TDR.

"It is my expectation that next year we will have to turn schools away."

Empire District Electric company is sponsoring the single-elimination tournament. Southern is awarding \$4,500 in scholarships to the winners of the competition.

Advanced Television Production students serve as the show's crew, and Southern faculty serve as judges.

"It's an incredible effort," said Caristi, "because MSTV is producing it (the show), KOJZ is the client, and Empire is financing it."

The hostess, Marla Marantz, and the judges are volunteering their time. The new program will air Sundays at 4:30

p.m. on KOJZ Channel 26 and Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. on MSTV.

Each high school team participating in "Academic Challenge" consists of four students, plus an alternate. By correctly answering a "toss-up" question, a team earns points and the opportunity to collaborate on a bonus question from selected categories.

Winning teams will continue to compete until they lose or until they win the tournament.

"Empire deserves a lot of thanks," said Caristi. "All those involved are volunteers and are not being compensated for their time."

## Hundreds of students participate in program

BY JOHN FORD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Offering 15 classes to both traditional and non-traditional students, Missouri Southern's entrepreneurship program is beginning its fourth year.

"Entrepreneurship, working for yourself, is and always has been the American dream," said Brad Kleindl, director of the program. "This is becoming true for more and more people today."

According to Kleindl, Southern offers more classes in entrepreneurship than most other colleges in the nation.

"Missouri Southern has the most competitive entrepreneurship program in the country," he said. "While most colleges and universities offer one or two classes, we at Southern offer 15."

Class size for the courses are small, with 10 to 30 students in each section. Tuition costs remain the same as any other course at the College. Kleindl said Southern is offering the classes for a variety of reasons.

"One of the reasons is the College looks seriously at the future of employment of its graduates, and the graduates are looking seriously at their future employment," he said. "Small business and entrepreneurship is the wave of the 1990s and beyond."

While many business majors take courses in entrepreneurship, Kleindl said the classes are not limited to them.

"There is a popular misconception that entrepreneurship deals only with the business department," he said. "Entrepreneurship is not just for business majors. It's for people involved in the arts, the communication fields, even in the newspaper field."

Although one cannot obtain a bachelor's or associate degree in entrepreneurship, Kleindl said if a person completed the offered courses, he or she would receive a certificate of completion. Currently, four Southern students are pursuing the certificate.

"However, hundreds of students are taking classes in entrepreneurship in the different disciplines across campus," said Kleindl. "During the last three years we have had nine students receive certificates."

If students audit a course in entrepreneurship, it will not count toward a degree. However, Kleindl said if a student to audit a class in entrepreneurship would count toward the certificate.

Kleindl said most non-traditional students who take the classes do so because they are currently operating a business and want to discover ways to better operate it in the future, or they are on starting a business in the near future. "Also, a large number of the business community, as well as the community in general, are in the program because they want to start a business in the future," he said.

According to Kleindl, when most students graduate from college, they want to start small businesses.

"Future trends are leaning toward people going to work and working for small business," he said.

Courses offered within the program include human relations, business opportunities, developing a business plan, the management process, among others.

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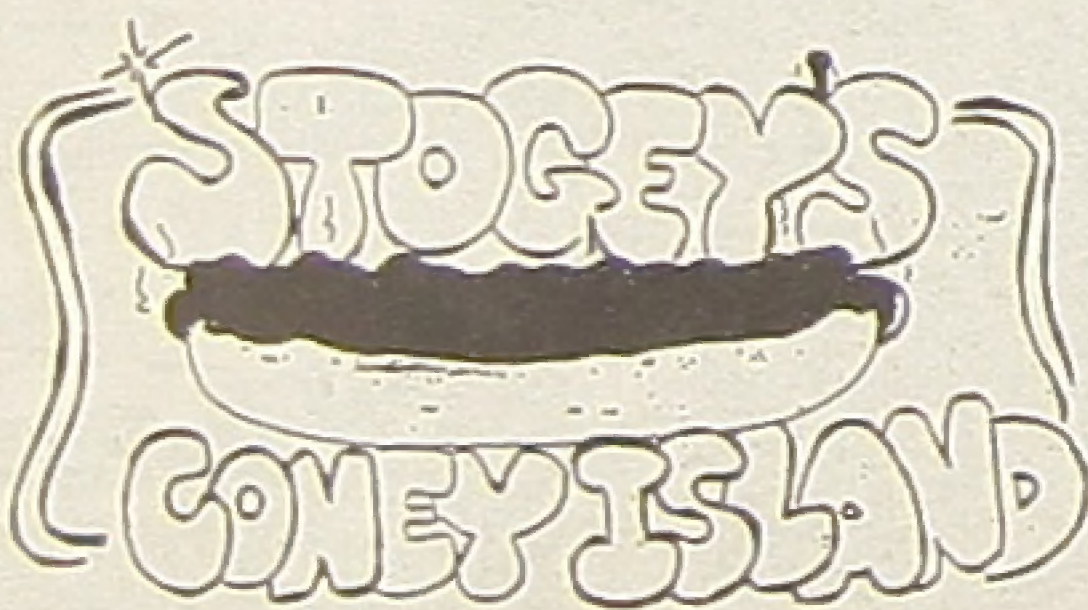
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# Senate holds first meeting of year

BY JOHN FORD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Installation of new senators, formation of many committees, and a tie-breaking vote kicked off this year's sessions of Student Senate.

Last night, the Senate broke a tie between Karen Cowan and Chris Staples, sophomore Senate candidates. Senators voted for the candidate of their choice in a secret ballot, and Cowan was declared the winner of the post.

In other action, sign-up sheets were handed out for the numerous committees the Senate has to aid Southern students and to help them direct any grievances. According to Senate President Sara Woods, the Senate's committees want new and returning senators to get involved with the Senate by serving on the various

committees. These committees include finance, judicial, academic policies, admissions, library resources, student affairs, and student court.

According to Doug Carnahan, Senate adviser, student court is an "inactive, loosely organized" group of Senate members which handles student appeals.

"Student court reviews the grievances of students," said Carnahan. "For instance, if disciplinary action has been taken against the student by a faculty member, the student can go to student court to tell his side."

Senate vice president Sam Ellis made a motion to form a fund-raising committee for the annual United Way fund drive. The motion passed unanimously.

During the meeting, a financial report was read by treasurer Anna Miller. According to Miller's calculations, the Senate

has \$6,197 left from the spring and summer semesters. Currently, \$12,000 is expected to be allocated to the Senate from student activity fees.

Additionally, the Senate heard an allocation request from the student chapter of the Missouri State Teachers Association, who requested \$450 to attend an MSTTA conference. The Senate is expected to vote on the matter next week. Executive members of the body have already allocated a total of \$750 to two campus groups.

"We allocated \$500 to the student director of orientation (Jackie Johnson) to allow her to attend a conference," said Woods. "We also allocated \$250 to the Social Sciences Club to allow them to attend a conference in Kansas City. We acted on these measures because they came up before the first Senate meeting."



Let's go

Jack Spurlin, senior criminal justice major, assists Kim Hoag, junior law enforcement major, after Southern's soccer victory Saturday afternoon. Their dogs, a Great Dane and a Dalmatian, accompanied.

## Cunningham reviews textbook

BY STEPHEN MOORE  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Houghton-Mifflin, a textbook publishing company, recently invited 18 college professors to four different locations in the United States for the purpose of reviewing one of its latest publications.

Caryn Cunningham, assistant professor of business at Missouri Southern, was chosen as one of seven individuals to attend a meeting Sept. 15-17 in Chicago. With each review, the publisher

structures were chosen based on recommendations made by Houghton-Mifflin representatives in the area.

According to Cunningham, the company decided on this process because it believes college instructors are "excellent reviewers of textbooks."

"They (Houghton-Mifflin) have found out that this has been a successful route for them in previous publications," she said.

While Cunningham was in Chicago, she

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said a representative from the Missouri Book Company. "If we were out of the picture, they'd have a monopoly on the business. Naturally, they're going to say all the derogatory things they can say about the used book business, but if we weren't in the business, then the student wouldn't be able to save 25 percent on the texts when they buy them used."

"What are these professors supposed to

do with these books? They didn't ask for them; they could throw them away or burn them, or they can take a useful product and turn it into something the student can save money on."

"Thousands of instructors sell these books and it happens at Missouri Southern, too. It's morally wrong and legally right."

According to Rich Evans, an account representative with the Nebraska Book

Co., "complimentary textbook selling is a controversial subject with a lot of people down on it."

Evans is scheduled to visit Southern's campus Tuesday.

"We don't have anyone from our company that goes directly to the instructor asking them if they have any books to sell," he said. "However, I'm sure there are other wholesalers who do."

## Getting down to business

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3-1645-2 Job opening for individuals with CPT operating experience. Hours: 5-9 p.m. Mon-Fri. Pay: \$4.50/hr. See your SES office, HH 114-F, for more info.

1-1845-1 Full-time job available for qualified individuals who have basic computer knowledge and good communication skills. Hours: 9-5 p.m. Mon-Fri. Pay: \$5.00/hr. Applicants must provide resume. Contact the Student Employment office for details.

5-2194-1 Elderly lady needs student to stay at house, rent free to run errands. For more information, stop by the SES office. HH 114-F.

3-1923-1 Carthage's fast food restaurant looking for food service personnel. Pay scale: \$3.35-\$4.00/hr. 10-40 hrs/wk. Applicants who enjoy working with the public need to apply. Come by HH 114-F.

2-1201-1 A local church is needing a child care worker during Sunday service: 8:15-12:15, each week. May be some Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Pay: \$3.50/hr. See your SES office for details.

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6-1346-3 Local company needs an accounting clerk. Applicants must have an accounting degree or have completed all accounting hours in major program: 20 hrs/wk, pay will depend on experience and skills. Job will last 8 wks, possibly longer. Contact your SES office for details.

4-1060-1 Local country club is looking for kitchen help. Pay is \$3.50/hr. Work schedule is evenings and some weekends: 15-20 hrs/wk. Must be 18 years of age or older. See your SES office for details.

1-1025-1 A kennel technician is needed by local animal clinic. Will be responsible for caring for small pets—feeding, cleaning, exercising and taking care of kennel area. Must be able to handle animals up to 60 lbs. Pay: \$3.35/hr. Hours: 25-35 hrs/wk. See your Student Employment Service office for details.

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### Public has right to know

The old cliché may hold true. "Those who do not remember the past are doomed to repeat it."

Events surrounding the women's tennis program have brought Missouri Southern the wrong kind of publicity that can't be debated. What is subject to question is the College's decision to not disclose the nature of the allegations leveled at Hartford Tunnell and his ex-program.

Very few among the College's administration know exactly what violations were made. Those who know aren't talking, and that's a mistake for a pair of reasons.

For all our strict adherence to the rules, Southern is still new to the NCAA, and there may be some who haven't yet read the fine print about what is and what is not allowed. By not disclosing these recent violations, those who are unsure remain in the dark, paving the way for further sanction torment.

Aside from using openness as a means of prevention, there is no other way to prevent this.



## Gamble results in reunion with father

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND  
CAMPUS EDITOR

It was something that "happens only in the movies." I kept thinking what a great headline it would make: "Girl Unites With Father After 16 Years."

I had even contemplated writing a letter to the television show, "A Current Affair," but I thought no one would believe me. This is how it all began.

My mother and I left Chicago and moved to Joplin in 1971. This was the last time I saw my

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she knew where he was living and she suggested I call Milwaukee information and ask if Richard Umland was listed. I did and was disappointed that there was no listing. Then, my mother suggested I ask for Bill Umland, my father's brother, who also lived in Milwaukee.

Finally, I obtained my dad's telephone number. You can't believe how much I agonized over making that call. I kept thinking about what I would say. How do you start a conversation with someone you haven't seen or spoken to in 16 years? "Yo Dad,

booked a flight from Kansas City to Chicago, impatiently waited for March to arrive. I probably should mention that I had only once before, and then my mother "carried" the plane screaming and carried me off the screaming." So I was kind of worried about flight.

My mother and I drove to Kansas City the day of my flight, and I bit my nails the whole way. I got there an hour early, and I had two drinks at the bar at the airport while I was waiting for flight. I think my plan was to get "trashed" so I boarded the plane so I wouldn't care if it crashed.

To sum up my flight, I had a white knuckle. Every tremor the plane made sent nervous



### Regional racism

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# Learning to

# FLY!!!

## College offers flight program in conjunction with Mizzou



For many, the dream of learning to fly remains just that, a dream. But for Lance Lackey and other Missouri Southern students, that dream is becoming a reality.

For Lackey, a sophomore math education major, the desire to fly began early. "When I was growing up, we lived next door to a TWA pilot," he said. "He would take me to the airport and show me around. That's what I thought I wanted to do."

Responding to interest by students, Southern began its aviation program in 1977 in conjunction with Mizzou Aviation. About four to five students from Southern graduate from the program each year. "It's been a successful program," said James Maupin, dean of the school of technology.

With the cost averaging \$3,000 per student, enrollment remains relatively low. "According to Maupin, the cost is lower than most other schools."

"If you go to Tulsa or elsewhere, the cost is significantly higher," he said. "Our program is a bargain."

The average student completes the program in about three months. However, the program may be completed in as little as eight weeks.

According to Robert Plumlee, aviation instructor, the average high school graduate has the skills necessary to learn how to fly.

"The average person out of high school has all the math and science they need," said Plumlee.

Plumlee does, however, stress the fact that considerable study is necessary before students take their first flight.

The curriculum consists of 35 hours of flight time and 50 hours of ground school. Ground school is done largely on an in-

dividual basis and covers several disciplines.

"We cover basic math, physics, aerodynamics, and navigation," said Plumlee.

In addition, students receive extensive study in meteorology.

"The weather is the biggest limit for a pilot," Plumlee said. "We teach you to understand weather."

According to Plumlee, developing knowledge and skill is not the most important part of pilot training.

"A pilot needs to have a very keen sense of judgement and decision making," he said. "Pilots get paid for their judgement."

The program is completed once the student has passed both a written and flying test administered by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Southern awards five hours of elective credit to the student.

A general misconception about flying is that a pilot needs to own an airplane.

"It's easier to rent a plane than it is to rent a car," said Plumlee.

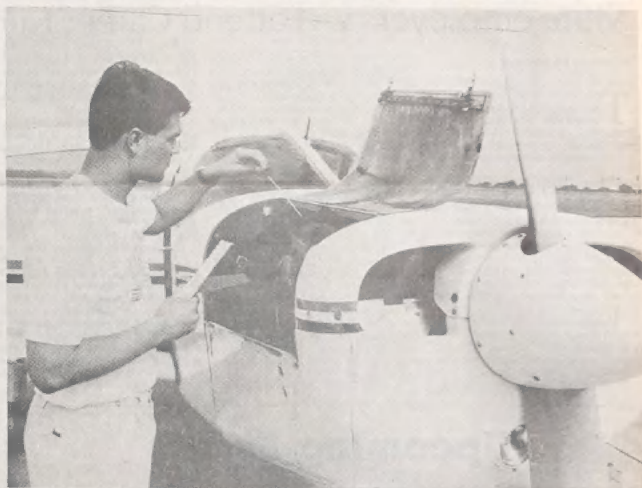
Rental fees currently range from \$25 per hour for a single-engine plane to \$150 per hour for the more elaborate double-engine planes.

With many pilots retiring, Plumlee foresees many job opportunities for future pilots.

"The airlines will hire 62,000 pilots in the next decade," he said. "That's a 5 to 10 percent per year growth."

According to Plumlee, many students obtain their pilot's license in order to stay ahead of the competition in their particular field.

"In business, the ability to operate an airplane is becoming as important as computer skills," he said. "There are only 750,000 licensed pilots in the United States. Flying is a skill that you have over everyone else. It puts you one step ahead of the competition."



(Top left) Robert Plumlee discusses basic aerodynamics during a group study session. Ground school is done largely on an individual basis. At 2,000 feet, Lackey checks the plane's engine fluids prior to flight. In the course, students achieve a thorough understanding of the airplane's systems (middle right). Before going up, Lackey must also check the plane's fuel octane level (left). The course, with an average cost of \$3,000 per student, takes from two to three months to complete. It consists of 35 hours of flight time and 50 hours of ground school. Four to five Southern students graduate from the program each year. Flight time is conducted at Joplin Municipal Airport.

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**Bike ride** The bike club cruises past the Billingsly Student Center during its first ride Thursday evening.

## More employers will attend Career Fair

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND  
CAMPUS EDITOR

This year's Career Fair will feature more employers and more student attendance, according to Nancy Disharoon, director of career planning and placement at Missouri Southern.

"After being revived last year, this year's Fair has generated more response from employers," she said. "We sent 400 invitations to prospective employers, and we have received 65 responses. I think the Fair is good public relations for Southern."

The 1989 Career Fair will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday with a reception for juniors, seniors, faculty members, and employers. Disharoon said the reception is limited to upper-class students because of the opportunity it provides to meet with employers.

"The reception is a wonderful opportunity to mingle with employers in a more relaxed atmosphere," she said. "The employers have the chance to see the students in a social environment."

Disharoon said the Fair allows employ-

ers to decide which students they would like to interview. She said it also provides good contacts for the students and gives employers the chance to collect resumes.

"Employers love to answer questions," she said. "The Fair is not just for those students approaching graduation. The freshmen and sophomores will have the opportunity to discuss their academic plans in conjunction with their future goals."

Disharoon encourages all Southern students to attend the Fair. She said the number of students attending can influence the future of the career fairs.

"The Fair is good public relations for Southern," she said. "The employers have to feel like the Fair is beneficial to keep them coming back every year, so it is important to have a good student turnout."

Disharoon said in addition to providing contacts for those students close to graduation, the Fair is useful in giving freshmen and sophomores the chance to talk to employers for the purpose of obtaining internships or cooperatives.

"I don't want the students to think the

Fair is just for the juniors and seniors," Disharoon said. "The Fair helps all students make career choices and decide on classes they will need to help them prepare for their future careers."

Some of the companies that will be represented at the Fair are IBM; Baird, Kurtz, and Dobson; Eastman Kodak; and Ozark Health Network. According to Disharoon, this year's Fair will have a wide variety of employers.

"We have tried to invite employers from many different fields to attend the Fair," she said. "We are trying to have something to interest all students."

The Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5 on the third floor of the Billingsly Student Center. Disharoon said students must register in the placement office prior to the Fair's start.

"We are looking forward to a good attendance and to maintain our reputation of having one of the best, well-organized career fairs," Disharoon said. "The Fair is open to the general public as well as Southern students, and admission is free. I encourage everyone to attend."

## Various activities will kick off Homecoming

Royalty to be crowned during halftime ceremony

BY BRYAN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty alike are making preparations for Missouri Southern's 1989 Homecoming, "Set Sail for the Nineties."

The festivities will begin with a talent show at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9, in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center. Entry deadline is tomorrow.

Homecoming banners will be judged all day on Tuesday, Oct. 10. Winners of the banner competition will be announced at the football game on Oct. 14.

Also on Tuesday, a fashion show will be held at 7 p.m. in the J.C. Penney court at the Northpark Mall featuring the Homecoming royalty candidates. Escorted by senior members of the football team, the candidates will model clothes from various stores in the mall.

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, Encore Recording Studio will set up a professional recording booth from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lions' Den. Students can make a personal recording to a pre-recorded rock, country, or gospel soundtrack.

On Thursday, Oct. 12, Daryl Miller will give a lecture in the Matthews Hall auditorium beginning at 1 p.m.

"The lecture will deal with adult children of alcoholics and is in conjunction with National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, scheduled for next week," said Lori LeBahn, interim campus activities director.

An all-campus cookout is scheduled to begin at 10:45 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, in front of the Billingsly Student Center. The cookout is free to all students with a current college I.D. A pep rally will begin at noon.

"Daryl Miller will sing during the cookout," said LeBahn. "Another attraction will be a special guest, Hormby Kucher, a professional 'nerd.' At noon we will crown the queen and announce the standing alumnus."

According to LeBahn, a Homecoming dance will be held in the John Q. Adams Trade Center from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 13.

"The dance will feature C. Fox Company and is open to all students, faculty members, and alumni with I.D.," she said. "General admission is \$3."

The traditional Homecoming parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14 and will run from 12th Street to 14th Street, lasting approximately 45 minutes.

At noon there will be an alumni recognition luncheon in the Connor Ballroom. The cost is \$6 per person, and reservations are required.

At 2 p.m. the pre-game festivities will begin. The outstanding alumnus will be recognized again, and the winning senior and floats will be announced.

The football game is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. During halftime ceremony the royalty will be crowned and the Pride Marching Band will perform.

Following the game, a family banquet is scheduled in the Connor Ballroom. Reservations are required, and it will cost \$6 for adults, including students, and \$3 for children under 12.

LeBahn is expecting a large turnout for this year's Homecoming. She said the year the festivities "get bigger and better."

"We have some nice activities planned to satisfy all types of interests, from sports to the alumni," she said. "It should be fun for everyone."

## Club chats are 'informative'

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND  
CAMPUS EDITOR

The primary function of the International Club is to provide a "cultural experience," according to Pamela Chong, former club president.

"We are trying to create cultural awareness as well as help the foreign students adjust to life in the United States," said Chong.

The first activity of the 1989 fall semester will be a special reception at 3:30 p.m. this afternoon in Room 310 of the Billingsly Student Center. Chong said the reception will include the installation of new officers as well as the official recognition of Ann Allman, the new club adviser.

"Joe Vermillion (a College counselor) served for several years as adviser," said Chong. "The reception is a way of saying 'thanks' to him for all the work he has done over the years."

Chong said the reception is open to anyone interested in joining the club. She hopes the club will gain more members than in years past.

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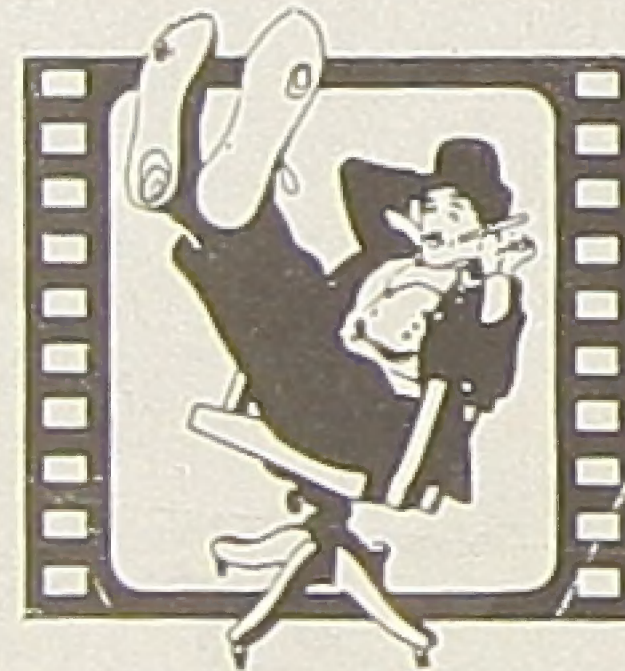
"The guests tell us about their countries, and then the students have the opportunity to ask questions," said Chong.

All Southern students are encouraged to join the club. Chong said membership is not limited to those students who are from different countries.

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## Upcoming Events

Today	Orientation Film "Reach Out" 8 a.m., 11 a.m., Noon Connor Ballroom	Communications Luncheon Noon Room 310 BSC	International Student Reception 3:30 p.m. Room 310 BSC	Primary Elections Homecoming Royalty 9 a.m. Stairwell BSC
Tomorrow	Soccer at St. Louis Budweiser Tournament		Student Teacher Applications Due Room 220 Taylor Hall	
Weekend	through Saturday TBA	Cross Country at UM-Rolla Invitational TBA	Phi Eta Sigma Pizza Party 4 p.m. Basement of building B Saturday All members invited	Football vs. NEMSU 7 p.m. Hughes Stadium Saturday
Monday	Jack White Trick Shot Artist 10 a.m. & Noon Lion's Den	CAB Dance Committee 3 p.m. Room 311 BSC	Sigma Nu 5:30 p.m. Room 311 BSC	CAB Movie "The North Shore" 7 p.m. & 9 p.m. Barn Theatre
Tuesday	Orientation Leaders 7 a.m. Room 310 BSC	ECM Noon Keystone Room	Superintendents Luncheon Noon Room 310 BSC	
Wednesday	Homecoming Royalty Final Elections 9 a.m. Stairwell BSC	BSU Noon Room 311 BSC	Student Senate 5:30 p.m. Room 310 BSC	Career Fair Reception 7 p.m. 2nd floor lounge BSC



## CAB MOVIE

- ★ North Shore: Oct. 2-3
- ★ Beaches: Oct. 23-24
- ★ Lost Boys: Oct. 30-31
- ★ The Land Before Time: Nov. 13-14
- ★ Monty Python's Meaning of Life: Nov. 15-16
- ★ Above the Law: Dec. 4-5

All CAB movies are shown in the Barn Theatre at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). Admission 50 cents.

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Rehearsal Stephanie Cain has the upper hand on David Stockton during rehearsal for "Hot L Baltimore."

# Play depicts 'losers' in 'Hot L Baltimore'

BY ANITA NORTON  
ARTS EDITOR

Peering into the lives of the down and out, *Hot L Baltimore*, scheduled to run Oct. 5-8 in Taylor Auditorium, is an epic drama of lost values.

Set in the lobby of a "grimy" hotel on Memorial Day 1973, the play is a story of the passing events of the hotel's inhabitants who are low income, retired people, prostitutes and their Johns, hotel employees, and transients, all who are described as "losers refusing to lose."

Characterizing the attitudes of the people in the play as apathetic, Pat Worley, a junior theatre major, said its main theme is people's disregard for the world around them.

"Unconcerned with the needs of people and things around us, we have become an apathetic society lacking convictions, giving up too easily, hurrying through life and forgetting the ghosts of the used to be and allowing our society to crumble and fall into waste and ruin," Worley said.

To get into their characters, the students, whose parts were cast in May, said they each did a 54-character analysis and practiced all summer.

Stephanie Cain, a sophomore theatre major, said the analysis they create is not "necessarily written in the script."

"We create lives for our characters," said Worley, "so that when we do come to rehearsal to start working from the script, we have a background as far as what in the character's upbringing might be responsible for a person's actions, and why the character might be doing certain things in the script."

According to Worley, his character, Paul Granger, is "really an example of the [play's] theme" as Granger looks for his grandfather but suddenly gives up because it requires too much effort.

"I give up; it's too much for me," said Worley.

Although cast members came into the play knowing that all the characters in it are "losers," Worley believes "they're all really beautiful people, and they all are passionate about something and in very small, seemingly insignificant ways, they all kind of care for each other."

With the initial goal of trying to save the decaying hotel that has become home to them, in the end it is too difficult for them, and it falls by the wayside.

According to some members of the cast, there is some hope indicated in the characters' lives. But it is inferred to a future time and is not seen in the play itself.

Dawn Ehrenberg, senior theatre major, portrays an example of "the beautiful losers in society" in the character of Jackie.

"Nothing I do comes out right, but we keep on trying," Ehrenberg said.

Both the actors and the characters interact with one another frequently, according to David Swenson, sophomore theatre

major and assistant stage manager.

"In this play there are several scenes where virtually the entire cast is on and speaking at once," Swenson said. "We have to be aware of all the different conversations to be able to keep your space in it without losing the whole moment."

Several of the actors said they can relate in some way to their characters.

Gina Small, a sophomore theatre major, plays a 55-year-old mother who complains to get her way while at the same time getting apathy from the other characters in the play.

"I can relate it to people I have seen, people I've run across and seen in bus stations or in run-down areas I have seen," Small said.

Identifying with the play's theme, Worley said, "Being Paul who really is the most apparent and obvious indication of the theme of giving up, of apathy, of no hope, just speaking for myself, I think everyone is like that. I think our society is like that."

"I know I'm like that. I have had things that I've cared a great deal about, but I choose to let them fall by the wayside instead of making an effort to change my lifestyle."

The play's stage is set on an "alley theatre," where the audience is seated on both sides of the set within just a few feet of the action. Seating will be arranged for approximately 150 people per night.

"The people are going to be so close," said Ehrenberg, "that they will become a part of it."

"I can't stress enough that each person represents someone in society. They'll recognize people that they've seen, but never noticed before and see what happens to them."

Spanning three acts, *Hot L Baltimore* was written by the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright, Lanford Wilson, a native Missourian. The play opened to rave reviews in February 1973 and received the 1973 Drama Critics Award for the best American play, on or off Broadway, and the 1973 Obie Award for the best off Broadway play.

The first four performances will begin at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday, with a matinee at 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Because of limited seating, reservations are recommended. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens, and free to Southern faculty, staff, and students with an I.D. Persons interested in reservations may call 625-9393 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Referring to the play's theme, Ehrenberg said, "We don't want people to be afraid to come and think that they're going to get hit over the head with a message. It's hilarious. It's of mature subject matter, but you don't even notice it."

However, because of strong language and the mature subject matter, the play is not recommended for children.

## Young Authors' Conference teaches area school children writing skills

BY DIANE VAN DERA  
STAFF WRITER

Wanting to get children interested in writing, Missouri Southern students and area elementary language arts teachers launched the Young Authors' Conference last spring. The conference is for elementary students who show a proficiency in writing. The next conference is scheduled for April 7, 1990.

According to Dr. Betty Cagle, assistant professor of education, the first year was very successful.

"The word is out that kids do benefit from this program," she said.

Preparation for the conference begins in the classroom when the children, grades one through six, are asked to write on any topic or interest. It may be fiction, non-fiction, biographical, or poetry, and must be original. The writing can be any length.

"You're going to be shocked by the excitement the kids have at writing that they never had before," said Steve Frazell, principal of Garfield Elementary in Parsons, Kan.

"You have to stand out of the way and let them go," said Cagle.

Each child then selects his or her best work for editing. All the work must be done by the student. Teachers and parents may offer suggestions, but the final work must be in the child's own words.

After the child has revised the "book," it will have a title page and page numbers and then be bound.

The books are then submitted to a committee of school faculty which will select the books and authors to send to the Young Authors' Conference. Each grade will be represented.

All students later receive their books as mementos of their writing experience.

"Our intent is not to make the student who comes to our campus feel like the most important writer in [their] school," said Cagle. "We want to recognize all children who write."

At the conference, held in Taylor Hall, children are divided into groups, according to grade. The groups are headed by Southern students who have volunteered their time.

"Last year they didn't want to give the children back to their parents because

they had so much fun," Cagle said.

The groups then break into individual sessions, where they are taught how to write better, receive instruction on how to illustrate, and listen to authors tell how they got started in their careers.

Frazell, who held a similar conference at his school, said his students enjoyed the seminars "very much."

"In fact," he added, "when they filled out the questionnaires asking their opinions of the conference, their only complaint was that the break was too long. They wanted to go to more seminars."

The Young Authors' Conference is not just for the students. Teachers also learn how to teach better writing skills to them.

Pat Koppman from San Diego, a past president of the International Reading Association and an internationally recognized speaker, will lead a session on helping parents, who also are invited to the conference.

Students interested in volunteering can sign up in Taylor Hall, or contact Cagle at Ext. 625.

## State honors young authors

Today marks the fifth day in the first annual Missouri Student Author Week.

On July 26, 1989, Gov. John Ashcroft signed a bill proclaiming Sept. 24-29 as Student Author Week, "so we may all appreciate the talent of those who diligently study and practice the writing process."

"This proclamation will offer an excellent opportunity to bring attention to the importance of writing in Missouri," said Dr. Robert E. Bartman, commissioner of education.

Approximately 550 school districts are participating in writing activities to commemorate this occasion. A delegation, including Dr. Betty Cagle, assistant professor of education at Missouri Southern, was largely responsible for the proclamation.

Now, John Gordon of Licking, Mo., a member of the delegation, is leading a campaign to make Student

Author Week a national observance.

"We've got to get kids to write," said Gordon. "We're the people (educators), not politicians, who can turn it around."

"So I decided," he said, "that if this was good enough for Missouri, it was good enough for the nation."

"We already have a commitment from U.S. Rep. Bill Emerson (R-Missouri) to introduce a resolution on the floor of the House in January to make it a national law to observe National Young Writers Week," he added. "I received a commitment from the President's office that he would consider signing it in February or March. I'm excited."

"We're now working with the National Association for Young Writers to get this to happen," said Gordon.

Although the proposal is still in the planning stages, Gordon is urging area educators to write to their congressmen to ask them to get involved.

## Debaters travel to Oklahoma

BY DIANE VAN DERA  
STAFF WRITER

During the next 10 weeks the debate team will be travelling to tournaments from Springfield to Modesto, Calif.

This weekend, members are going to Oklahoma Christian College in Oklahoma City for the J.E. Wright Invitational Tournaments.

Although the forensics team competes in the American Forensic Association events, it will only debate at this tournament.

The other events are persuasive speak-

ing, informative speaking, dramatic interpretation, poetry interpretation, prose interpretation, mixed interpretation, dramatic duo, communication analysis, after-dinner speaking, extemporaneous speaking, and impromptu speaking.

Fifteen students are on this year's debate team.

"We recruit close," said David Delaney, debate team coach and communications instructor. "There's no need to go any further. The best debaters come from this area. The high schools are very strong."

Students interested in joining the debate team may contact Delaney at Ext. 655 or at his office in the guest house.

## Coming Attractions

<b>Joplin</b>	<b>"Costumes as Communication" Exhibition</b> Thru Oct. 22 Spiva Art Center Call 623-0183	<b>Tri-Statesmen Annual Concert</b> Saturday Shell Knob Call 417-624-3188	<b>"Hot L Baltimore"</b> 7:30 p.m. Wednesday thru Oct. 7 2:30 p.m. October 8 Taylor Performing Arts Center	<b>"Anything Goes"</b> 7:30 p.m. Wednesday thru Oct. 8 Joplin Little Theatre Call 623-3638
<b>Springfield</b>	<b>"Baby"</b> 8 p.m. Today thru Saturday Sunday - 2:30 p.m. Springfield Little Theatre Call 869-1334	<b>"Buswell, Parnas, Luvisi Trio"</b> Springfield Symphony 8 p.m. Saturday Evangel College Auditorium	<b>"Architecture" Lecture Series</b> Tomorrow and Saturday Springfield Art Museum	<b>Artists As Teachers Exhibit</b> Sunday thru Nov. 15 Springfield Art Museum Call 866-2717
<b>Tulsa</b>	<b>Ice Capades "Return to Romance"</b> Today thru Tuesday Tulsa Fair Grounds Call 918-584-2000	<b>Tannahill Weavers Celtic Music</b> 8 p.m. Saturday Williams Theatre	<b>"The Steadfast Tin Soldier"</b> Oct. 6-8 Tulsa Ballet Theatre Call 918-585-2573	<b>Wayne Newton</b> Oct. 7 Brady Theatre Call 918-585-3100
<b>Kansas City</b>	<b>"Don Pasquale" Lyric Opera</b> Saturday, Monday and Wednesday Lync Theatre Call 816-471-7344	<b>"The Hunchback of Notre Dame"</b> Today thru Sunday Martin City Melodrama & Vaudeville Company Call 816-942-7576	<b>Barry Manilow On Broadway</b> 8 p.m. Today and Tomorrow Midland Theatre Call 816-931-3330	<b>Paintings &amp; Drawings by Leonid Pasternak, 1890-1945"</b> Thru Thursday Federal Reserve Bank Fine Arts Gallery
	<b>Bon Jovi</b> 7:30 p.m. Sunday Sandstone Theatre Call 816-931-3300	<b>"Great Expectations"</b> Tuesday thru Oct. 31 Cotene Children's Theatre Call 816-474-6552	<b>Debbie Gibson</b> 8 p.m. Oct. 7 Kemper Arena Call 816-931-3330	<b>Rolling Stones</b> 6 p.m. Oct. 8 Arrowhead Stadium Call 816-931-3330



# Webster's office files lawsuit against Joplin Stockyards

Firm files countersuit, contends violations of civil rights by office

BY JOHN FORD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Allegations leveled at the Joplin Regional Stockyards by Attorney General William Webster have resulted in several lawsuits.

Webster, along with Charles E. Kruse, director of the Missouri Department of Agriculture, and state veterinarian J. Edward Slaughter filed a six-count lawsuit last Thursday in Jasper County Circuit Court, claiming fraud at the stockyards.

According to the lawsuit, livestock market operators, commission companies, and at least 12 livestock dealers misrepresented the origin of cattle sold through the Joplin stockyards. It also alleged that some dealers had misrepresented the ownership of cattle as well.

According to Webster, the suit was filed after a 10-month investigation into practices at the stockyards. In May the attorney general's office seized thousands of documents from the stockyards. That investigation was assisted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

partment of Agriculture.

"Our investigation has revealed improper movement through the Joplin stockyards of cattle from states with a higher percentage of brucellosis-infected cattle," said Webster. "We contend that the defendants repeatedly misrepresented that cattle coming from Oklahoma and Arkansas were from Missouri."

Webster said each state was classified by the federal government as to the percentage of brucellosis infection in each state. Missouri has a lower incidence of the disease and is classified as a "Class A" state, while Oklahoma and Arkansas are classified as "Class B" states.

"Missouri is striving to become a brucellosis-free state," said Kruse. "This action illustrates our efforts to assure that Missouri herds are not in jeopardy of being infected."

Currently, government regulations do not prohibit moving cattle across state lines, but do require herds moving into a state with a higher health classification to be quarantined for a minimum of 60 days or consigned for slaughter within five days. If quarantined, the herd must be retested for brucellosis.

"When cattle move into a state with a lower rate of infection, they are subject to special restrictions designed to control

the spread of brucellosis," Kruse said.

According to Webster, stockyard records show about 35,000 head of test-eligible cattle were sold from the Joplin stockyards last year. Webster said that even if a small percentage of this number was fraudulently represented, there would be a problem.

"Cattle not properly classified create a potential threat to those who buy livestock through our markets," said Webster. "We welcome trade with Class B states, but we contend that these transactions were conducted illegally."

To be eligible for testing, cattle must be at least two years old.

In addition to the alleged violations of Missouri's consumer fraud laws, the lawsuit contends the defendants violated several laws regulating the livestock industry. According to the allegations in the suit, some or all of the defendants:

■ Acted as dealers without being registered with the state Department of Agriculture.

■ Acted as dealers without being properly bonded.

■ Participated in the movement of livestock without identification of their origin.

■ Moved livestock with improper ear tags.

■ Failed to keep sufficient records re-

quired by state animal health laws.

■ Violated brucellosis blood-testing laws.

On this last count, Webster named stockyard veterinarian Nelson White as a defendant. Webster alleges that White conducted improper testing of cattle and improperly classified the animals. Some of the cattle tested at the stockyards had brucellosis, but were recorded as either being too young for testing, or as testing negative for the disease.

"I find it interesting that the state of Missouri would sue its own veterinarians," said Robert Cook, attorney for the stockyards. "This is an attempt by the state to clean up its own problems. It is resting the clean up of the problems upon the stockyard's shoulders."

Cook is in the process of filing two lawsuits against the attorney general's office. According to Cook, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, acting on orders from Webster's office, surrounded the stockyards on Aug. 28 and began issuing customers minor traffic violation citations.

"The attorney general directed state troopers to surround the stockyards and harass people and give them tickets," Cook said. "This action would be like the patrol surrounding your newspaper and frisking customers. We intend to try the case to the

fullest.

"There is plenty of evidence to support our claims. The television news people were there, filming the troopers harassing people. This is not just a conclusion arrived at."

Cook's office is filing a civil rights action suit with the U.S. District Court in Kansas City.

The attorney general's office has asked the court to issue a permanent injunction barring the defendants from the acts. Webster also asked the court for restitution to cattle buyers and civil penalties of \$1,000 per violation of consumer laws. The state is seeking a penalty for the alleged violations of livestock laws—\$10,000 for each violation.

Four people who were not named as defendants in the case have paid fines of \$12,000 for their participation in the acts. Kinley and Franklin Miller brothers from Pea Ridge, Ark., paid a \$4,000 fine for misrepresenting the origin of cattle they sold. Don Macell, Miami, Okla., paid \$8,000 for his participation in the same act, while P. Williams of Granby paid a \$4,000 fine for the misrepresentation of origin.

## Family owned business receives Chamber award

BY JOHN FORD  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Though once a small business starting out in a garage, Level Ride Manufacturing Company has grown since 1978 and has been chosen as September's Industry of the Month.

"In a lot of cases, it seems that the Chamber of Commerce and the city fathers have overlooked small businesses in choosing an Industry of the Month," said Vern DeWeese, Level Ride owner. "Sometimes they do seem to dwell on the big companies, but we feel very fortunate in their giving that honor to us."

"Throughout history, we see that if it wasn't for the small companies, there would not be any big companies."

Level Ride Manufacturing, a maker of stabilizer bars for utility trucks, began in DeWeese's garage in 1978. It is owned and operated by DeWeese and his family.

"I have a total of 10 employees, including myself," DeWeese said. "At the present time, all of my workforce is family related. But when we've reached the point that we have to hire more, they'll be from outside of the family."

"At the present time, our entire market is in the utility truck field," he said. "But the product also works great on mobile homes and trucks with campers."

DeWeese said stabilizer bars are a vital component on any large truck, because they eliminate sway caused by wind or sudden turns.

"The stabilizer bars keep the truck's body on the same plane as the road surface, and helps to eliminate rocking," he said.

DeWeese was an employee at Empire District Electric Company when he decided to go into business for himself. He said the decision came as a result of an invention he created while at Empire.

"We had a problem with excessive sway

with our trucks," he said. "So I got a bright idea and made a stabilizer bar which would alleviate the problem."

"I applied for a patent, and when it was approved, I showed my invention to a dealer in Kansas City who liked the idea so well that he installed the bars on some of the utility equipment in Kansas City. He more or less spread the word about my invention."

In 1983, DeWeese could no longer keep up with the demand for his product on a part-time basis, so he retired from Empire after working there 17 years and became an entrepreneur.

It was also in 1983 that the company had outgrown the garage, so DeWeese began making plans to move its operation and construct a larger building in Joplin. However, the building did not match their needs, so he bought another building in Diamond.

"We thought the building we constructed was expandable—that we could build on to it as the business grew," he said. "But we couldn't get the right electrical hook-up for our large equipment, so we bought this building last year. We didn't find out about the hook-up problems until we had moved into it."

While the company has had its share of problems since 1978, DeWeese said it has also had continuing growth and success. He attributes his success to a variety of factors.

"I think the quality of our product is the main thing," he said. "The product is almost maintenance free, and it's easy to install. Secondly, I think having a very good relationship with our dealers has helped tremendously. I don't really advertise my product, so the dealers are doing a great job of spreading the word. We now have representatives in all 50 states, two-thirds of Canada, as well as all of Puerto Rico. Most of these were set up on referrals from satisfied customers."



Allegation site

Jackie Moore stands in front of the Joplin Regional Stockyards, the target of a lawsuit by Missouri Attorney General William Webster. The suit is alleging violation of consumer fraud laws.

## NAACP to hold convention in Joplin

BY CARINE PETERSON  
STAFF WRITER

Recruiting more members is one of the primary purposes of the state NAACP convention, according to Jim West, public relations officer for the Joplin chapter.

"It (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) is for everybody," he said. "We have white members, black members, and all kinds of members."

The state NAACP convention is scheduled for tomorrow and Saturday at the Holiday Inn in Joplin. Some 100 delegates and participants from Missouri are expected to attend.

Scheduled activities begin tomorrow night at the Senior Citizen's Center at 22nd & Jackson, with a free dinner open

to the public.

"This dinner is a social dinner where everybody gets together and mingles," said West.

Entertainment will be provided by the youth chapter of the Joplin NAACP.

On Saturday, meetings are scheduled throughout the day with a banquet beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Joplin Mayor Donald Clark will give the welcome on Saturday. William Mallory, president of the state NAACP chapter, and Ina Boon, regional director, will preside at the convention.

Mallory also is expected to present reports on the Silent Protest March in Washington, D.C.

Patsy Robinson, president of the Joplin chapter, also expects the convention to attend to the political and social issues that

are facing the organization.

According to West, delegates and participants will review some of the policies and concerns of the organization throughout the area.

"It will update us on what is upcoming," West said.

Robinson said she hopes each delegate will come together and work as a team to then go back to their various communities and implement their programs.

According to West, one of the reasons why Joplin was chosen for the convention is because it has been several years since an NAACP convention has been held in Missouri, and it will help promote the Joplin chapter.

Local businesses are participating by buying tickets for the banquet and donating them to their employees.



STAFF PHOTO BY CARINE PETERSON

Top industry An employee for Level Ride Manufacturing Co. welds steel stabilizer bars for use on utility trucks.

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# Tri-captain Prater leads soccer team by example

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND  
CAMPUS EDITOR

After playing baseball and basketball in high school, Mike Prater searched for a sport that offered year-round involvement.

"The neighborhood kids got me involved in soccer," said Prater, junior tri-captain on Missouri Southern's team. "I don't really know a thing about it before, but I love the game."

Prater began his soccer career in Omaha, Neb., at the age of eight. It was not until he moved to New Mexico that he realized soccer would become an important part of his future.

"In New Mexico, soccer was the preferred sport; it was bigger than football or any other sport," said Prater. "I made the decision to focus on soccer during my senior year of high school."

Prater said he realized the commitment that was necessary for playing soccer at the college level and decided to channel all his energy into the sport.

"During my last year of high school, I was a member of the Rio Grande Soccer Club, a select team from around Albuquerque," he said. "I guess when I made the team I really understood that I had to work for soccer."

When Prater began shopping for a college to continue his education, he decided to look in Missouri. His father attended the University of Missouri-Rolla and encouraged Prater to check out schools in Missouri.



Mike Prater

"I was interested in Missouri because St. Louis is known as being the 'king of soccer,'" Prater said. "I narrowed it down to University of New Mexico, Southwest Missouri State University, or Missouri Southern. I chose Southern because I liked [former head coach Hal] Bodon and the size of the school."

Prater said he liked Bodon because he had a "great wit." He had heard "horror stories" about the coach, but soon found out they were untrue.

"Coach Bodon was so relaxed my first season, maybe it was because it was his last season as head coach," he said.

Although Bodon retired after Prater's first year at Southern, Prater was still enthusiastic about the game and playing under Coach Jack Spurlin.

"Coach [Spurlin] learned a lot from Bodon," said Prater. "He [Spurlin] has picked up a lot along the way. I think his strong point is in motivating and conditioning the team."

Prater said he sees his tri-captain role as one of responsibility to the whole team.

"Even though the captains this year [Jeff Malasek, Chuck Mathis, and Prater] are not as vocal as those in years past, we try to motivate the team by setting a good example," he said. "If they see us out there hustling and working hard, they will

follow our lead. I always try to compliment the guys whenever they make a good play or something. It helps keep everybody charged."

Despite last season's success of advancing to the NAIA Area IV playoffs, Prater is not worried about equaling last season's record. He said the team wants to beat the University of Missouri-St. Louis and Rockhurst to "save face."

"That would be a terrific encore, to beat UMSL and Rock in the same season," Prater said. "It would just be too amazing."

In addition to a career in soccer, Prater is pursuing a degree in accounting and would like to play soccer after graduation.

"I would like to continue to play," he said. "I just am not sure if there will be a chance or how much the sport will grow."

For now, Prater is planning to be "the best captain" he can. He said he feels responsible for initiating the new players to Spurlin's type of soccer.

"Everybody on the team wants to win, and we have so much skill this season the scores could be much broader," Prater said. "We play hard to level off our competition, but then we kick back and don't go for the big win."

BY ANASTASIA UMLAND  
CAMPUS EDITOR

Taking a bite out of the "meat" of their schedule, the Missouri Southern soccer Lions have been undefeated in their last three games.

"If we can win two or three more games against [NCAA] Division I schools, I will be dancing in the streets," said Jack Spurlin, head coach.

Last night, the Lions defeated Oral Roberts University 2-1 in Tulsa. Spurlin said Southern clearly dominated the match, outshooting ORU 24-7.

"We expected a hard match," he said. "We played well during the first half, but we didn't finish well. The score could have been much higher."

Last Friday, the Lions edged the University of Arkansas-Little Rock 2-1. Spurlin said the team played fairly intense soccer and performed "exceptionally well" despite a few drawbacks.

"We played 25 minutes of regulation time and 30 minutes of overtime with only 10 team members; we lost the others

because of violations or injuries," he said. "The team played 120 minutes of good, hard soccer."

Saturday, the Lions beat a longtime rival, the University of Missouri-Kansas City, 1-0. Spurlin was especially pleased with this win since the Lions tied the Kangaroos 1-1 last season.

"We did as well as can be expected, playing two tough games back to back," he said. "This game had a lot of legal contact. It was very physical."

The Lions are now preparing for the University of Missouri-St. Louis Budweiser Tournament. Spurlin said the "cream of the crop" will come to St. Louis for this tournament. The Lions will play UMSL tomorrow afternoon, and Spurlin is hoping Southern "will get some breaks."

"I plan on doing a lot of praying," he said. "We are going to play our best and hope we get some good bounces. We intend to make sure UMSL knows they have been in a game. It will be our toughest game of the season."

UMSL has advanced to the national tournament 17 of the last 18 years and is

currently ranked 17th in the nation. Spurlin said the Rivermen are a "powerhouse."

"UMSL is the best team we have ever faced since I have been here," he said. "Fortunately, the past three wins have really gotten us ready to play."

On Saturday, Southern will play Benedictine or Southwest Missouri State. The Lions will either be paired with a team that beat them (SMSU, 2-1 win) or a team that tied them (Benedictine, 1-1).

"At the college level, we try to avoid back-to-back competitions like we have been playing," Spurlin said. "This is the time when all the conditioning I have been putting the team through really pays off."

Spurlin said he is pleased with the team's performance so far in its "grueling Division I week." He said the last two victories against Division I teams prepared the players for the rest of their schedule.

"The guys feel really good and positive about themselves," he said. "The team likes to win for themselves and for me. The victories definitely make them feel more positive."

## Soccer Lions win again; prepare for UMSL-St. Louis

## After victory, football team is 'fired up'

ANASTASIA UMLAND  
CAMPUS EDITOR

Getting a "shot in the arm," the Missouri Southern football Lions overcame a two-game losing streak and defeated Washburn University 16-6 last Saturday in Topeka, Kan.

The win solidified all the things I have been saying all along," said Jon Lantz, head coach. "You win games by being a team."

Lantz said the victory was timely because it helped the Lions overcome their feelings of discouragement.

The team learned the greatest lesson Saturday," he said. "We did not beat Washburn with 'Xs' and 'Os'; we won because of attitude. The team realizes they can do anything if their attitude is good."

"We won because we came together as a team," said Brian Down, junior offensive tackle. "We played like we are capable of playing."

The Lions are now turning their attention to Saturday's home game against Southeast Missouri State. The Bulldogs are one of the tri-champions of the NA last season, and Lantz expects a tough contest from the Kirksville team. They have a good team, good players," he said. "Their team is in a similar situation; they have a similar defense. North-Flamingo throws the ball well, but we are ready for them."

"We finally got things straight," said Lantz. "We are fired up, and it will carry us through next week's game and the rest of the season."

Head coach, Jack Ball, is excited about Saturday's game against Southeast Missouri State. He said although he has never coached Southern, he thinks the Lions are a good team that is well coached.

"The Lions are reckless," he said. "I am concerned with their defense. We are not consistent at this point in our season."



STAFF PHOTO BY MARK ANCELL

**Home debut** Freshmen Mike Allen (No. 200) and Rob Johns (No. 203) look to gain ground during the Southern Stampede Saturday. Allen finished fourth in the 8,000-meter event; Johns was 25th.

## Cross country team places fourth in own tournament

BY BOBBIE SEVERS  
STAFF WRITER

Injured players have not kept the cross country Lions from excelling in competition.

"We're hurting because of injuries," said Tom Rutledge, head coach. "But I'm very happy with my kids."

In last Saturday's Southern Stampede held at Missouri Southern, the Lions placed fourth. Freshman Mike Allen took fourth in the men's 8,000-meter run with

a time of 26:37. Donna Boleski, a junior transfer from Butler County Community College, came in second in the women's 5,000-meter race with a time of 18:32.

"I think we are doing well," said Boleski, who was named the MIAA's women's cross country runner of the week for the second time this season. "Everybody's working real hard."

There were six All-Americans in the competition, and we had a guy (Allen) place fourth. That should tell you something," said Rutledge.

Saturday, the Lions and Lady Lions will compete in the University of Missouri-Rolla Miner Invitational. Women's competition begins at 10:15 a.m., with the men's races at 11 a.m.

"I think right now each person is doing their personal best," said Allen. "We're doing really well for just starting out."

Rutledge believes the competition will keep getting tougher.

"We just have to take them (track meets) one at a time," he said. "We just keep getting better with every practice."

## My Opinion



## Coaches are predictable

Writing for a newspaper can be tough. Writing sports stories for a newspaper is hell.

Don't misunderstand me. A reporter tackles a story on football or basketball with as much journalistic vigor as any story about college funding or core curriculum. He or she is urged to extract information from the home team's coach and players as well as opposing coaches and players.

Although a reporter is not always successful, an effort is made to acquire all sides of the story. In those efforts, we ask players and coaches for quotes to relay to our readership the strengths and weaknesses of their team and for any candid thoughts that relate to their athletic experience.

But if you want earth-shattering insight into the world of sport, watch the players play the sport and don't wait for Thursday's sports page.

Example: Defensive tackle Kevin Glenn of the football Lions, on the team's outlook before its game against Washburn, which resulted in a 23-6 win.

"I think the team is let down because of the last two losses, but if we can get the team turned around, winning will cure everything."

Admittedly, my knowledge of football is little, but Kevin states the obvious and my hunch is that Saturday's win over the Ichabods didn't really upset the Lions that much.

Next example: Soccer coach Jack Spurlin on moving into the heart of the team's schedule.

"I am not forecasting the rest of the season; we will take each game as it comes."

At first glance, you may ask, "Chris, what's wrong with that?"

Nothing. That's the point. Nothing is wrong with that quote. It's too right.

When a coach says exactly what we know he or she will say, why not cut out the middleman? Just cut out going to sources for quotes and write stories in the following manner:

Spurlin heads into today's match, having just beaten three NCAA Division I opponents in a row. They hope to win. We bet Spurlin and his team would like to win.

There are two arguments against writing like that. First, it's unethical, and second, there are a select few who don't pander to the all-too-common sports clichés, and reporters are surprised when something original is said.

Football head coach Jon Lantz is such a person. Lantz on the team's agony after falling to 1-2 earlier this season:

"The guys feel like no one cares because of their poor record in years past," Lantz said. "I care about these guys and try to relate to them as people and not just as players."

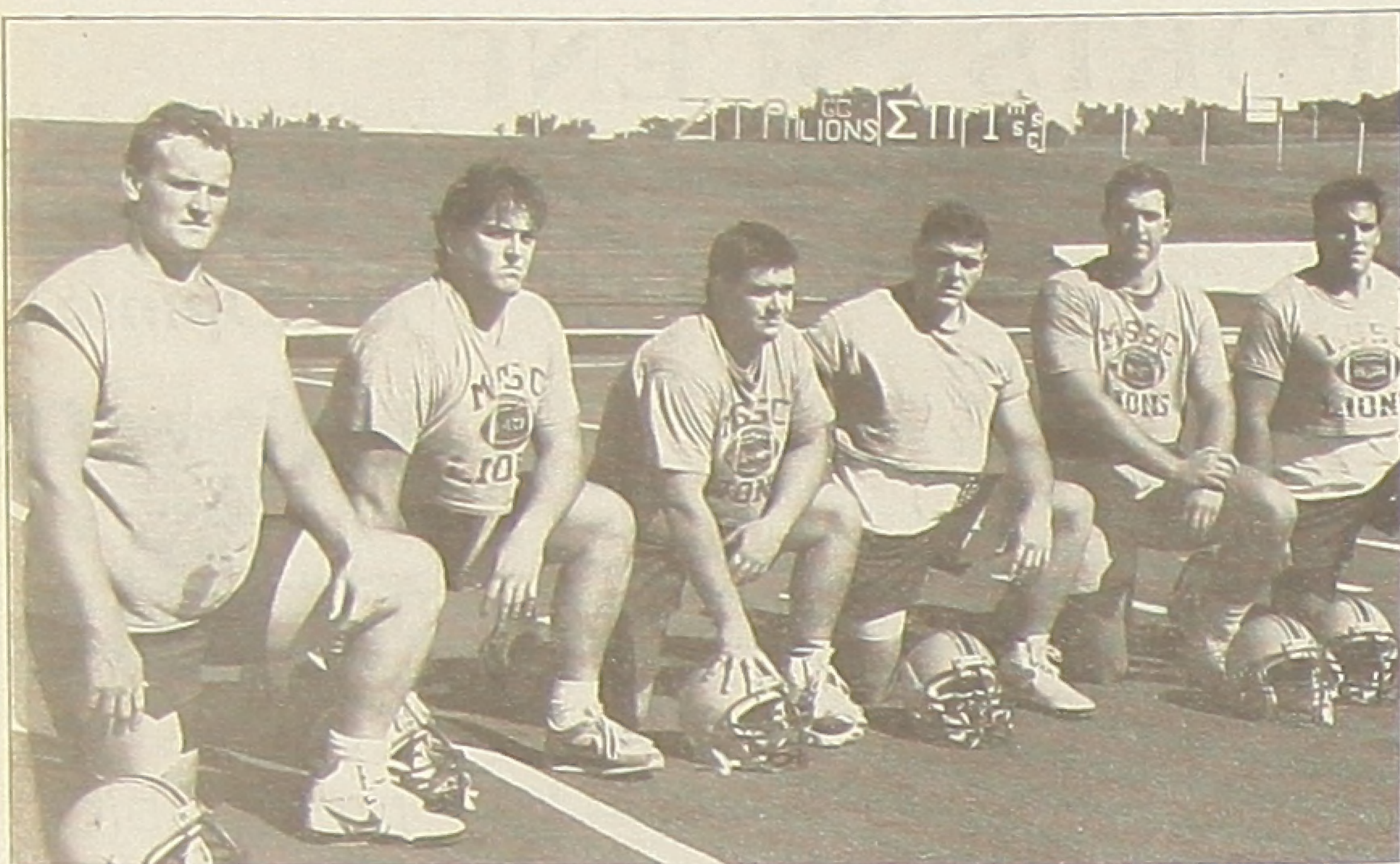
I'm sure a lot of people were expecting the hum-drum Lions of the past after losing their second straight game, but Lantz cued in on the idea that his players were down and may have felt failure because of expectations that may have been too high. Lantz is a prime example of a coach who expects victory, but also understands losing. His team bounced back. Give credit to Lantz.

However, Lantz seems to be Southern's needle in a haystack when it comes to giving good quotes. To get a feel for this enigma, ask one of the three zillion people who saw the movie *Bull Durham*.

In the movie, catcher Kevin Costner gives his upstart young pitcher some advice when it comes to giving quotes. He advises "Nuke" LaLouche to tell reporters in the "show." "I'm just happy to be here and, Lord-willing, I hope I can help the ball-club." Thanks, Kevin. It seems that Nuke isn't the only one taking your advice.

□ Christopher A. Clark is editor-in-chief of The Chart.





**The line** (From left) David Gossett, John Reynolds, Mike Cherry, David Clark, Terry Adamson, and Brian Down make up Southern's offensive line. Gossett and Clark provide the senior leadership.

## A lack of respect

### Offensive line seldom gets credit, but often the blame

BY ROBERT LAND  
STAFF WRITER

There may be no position on a football team that is more critical to its success or failure than the offensive line. Yet this position gets less credit than any other for the success of the team. "It takes an unselfish attitude because you know your name is never going to get in the paper," said Jon Lantz, head coach.

Dan Scheible, offensive line coach and a former center himself, is in his first year at Missouri Southern. He describes the mentality required of an offensive lineman.

"He has to be a very tough individual," Scheible said. "An offensive lineman has to be a very unselfish individual. He's got to have a hard work ethic."

Lantz said these attributes are only what an offensive lineman needs mentally. He said an offensive lineman also must have some very special physical attributes.

"It takes size, strength, quickness, and most of all it takes toughness," Lantz said.

Lantz said an offensive lineman must have intelligence because he does more thinking than any other player on offense except for the quarterback.

"[Offensive] linemen are constantly talking to each other," he said. "They have to be able to communicate to each other. They have to be able to communicate in one word, such as a color or name."

This season, Southern's line consists of tackles David Gossett (6-foot-4, 303 pounds) and Brian Down (6-4, 249), guards Mike Cherry (6-2, 267) and John Reynolds (6-6, 310), and center David Clark (6-1, 242). Terry Adamson (6-5, 280) replaced the injured Down last week in

Southern's 23-6 win over Washburn. While Lantz has seen improvement in the line's play, he views the five as having unfilled potential.

"We have a group of young men on the offensive line that could be the core of our football team," said Lantz. "They are not there yet, but they could be a good group of guys that want to learn and excel."

According to Reynolds, named offensive lineman of the week after Southern's season-opening victory over Lenoir, several factors are involved in becoming a good offensive lineman.

"When you are six feet tall and a coach looks at you, he decides what position you are going to play," he said. "I was a big kid so the coach decided to make me an offensive lineman."

Gossett, one of two seniors on the line, said he is not bothered by the respect given to the offensive line.

"I've always been an offensive lineman because I've always been big," he said. "In football it's all up to the offensive line. I like that."

"It doesn't bother me when I'm blamed," Gossett added, "because coaches see the film and they know the offensive line's fault. The only people who blame the offensive line are the people who don't know that much about football."

Reynolds agrees that the offensive line deserves more respect.

"We are the first ones blamed for going wrong and the last ones to go when things go right," he said. "We have to put up with the fans because we are not in the public eye as much as the quarterback."

## Volleyball team hopes practice will remedy errors

BY T. ROB BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Despite losing to Drury College two days ago, the volleyball Lady Lions hope to remain competitive. The squad fell to Drury 15-11, 15-11, and 15-9.

"We didn't pass very well," said Debbie Traywick, head coach. "And the other team served aggressively, which caused us to have passing errors."

Sophomore Missy Beveridge said the team's heads were not in the game, "but

from now on we're going to have to stick together, because that's what families do."

The team hopes to remedy these errors through hard practice, according to Traywick.

"We've been on a losing streak," she said, "but we've played some really tough games and opponents. The athletes are practicing really hard, and hopefully we can turn it around at Missouri Western."

Practicing hard will help the team, according to junior hitter Marian Hatten.

"I think the more we key in on our problems at practice," Hatten said, "the more

it will help our team on the court, in a game situation."

According to Traywick, it was a tough match Tuesday night because Drury's defense proved too tough.

"Drury had a big block up against us," Hatten said. "As a hitter, it's my job to hit around the block."

This was the first meeting between the two teams this year, with another match scheduled in October.

"Hopefully we'll correct our mistakes and do better," Traywick said.

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We do not match up well against our opponents. We are not very big or physical."

"We are definitely concerned with Southern's defense," said Chuck Clemens, Northeast's wide receiver coach. "The Lions do not set back and read; they go out and create havoc."

Despite the threat Southern's defensive line presents to opposing teams, Lantz said he would like to see even more improvement. He said the defensive unit needs to play with a better technique and be more aggressive.

"The offense has been very opportunistic," he said. "They are creating opportunities and improving every week. I am

coaching a senior quarterback (Alan Brown) that is getting better every week. None of the team members are sitting back, thinking they are at their best. Everyone on the team is working hard to get better."

Lantz said the greatest reason for his success as a coach is his ability to care about team members as individuals.

"I love 'em; that's why I'm in the field I'm in," he said. "I care about the guys, not how many games we win or lose. It is the guys that matter to me."

The Lions, 2-2, will play host to Northeast, 2-2, at 7 p.m. Saturday.

## Students

Students planning to graduate in May 1990 need to file an application for graduation before Oct. 25. To file an application a student must complete an application at the MSSC Placement office, 209 Billingsly Student Center. The second step is to obtain an application and adviser's check sheet form from the registrar's office, 100 Hearnes Hall. The forms are to be completed by the students and the student's adviser. After approval by the dean of the school, the forms are returned to the registrar for final review. By completing the application by Oct. 25, there will be time for final review and time to notify the student of courses required to complete the degree before the beginning of the 1990 spring semester.

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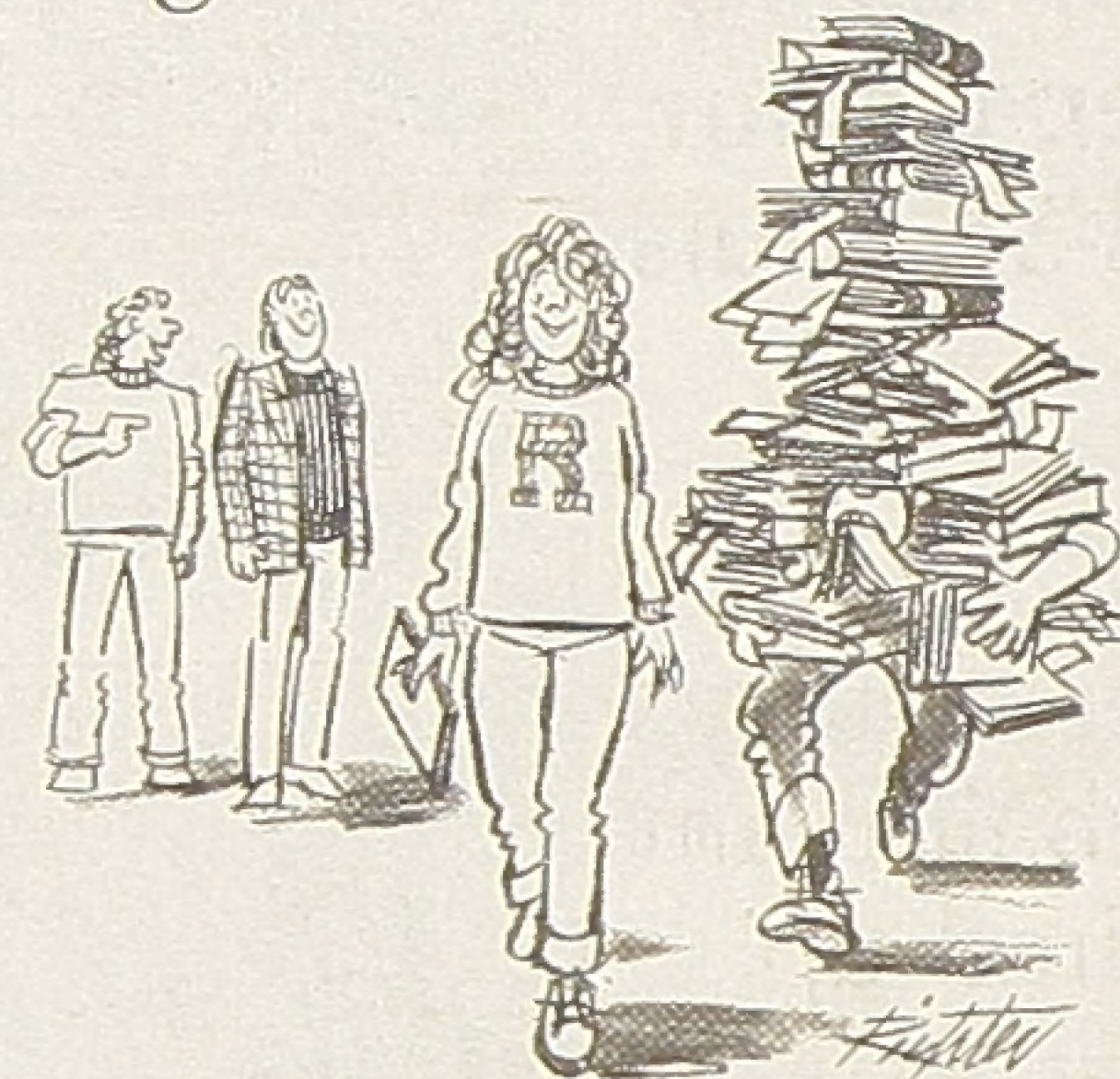
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